IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	§
	§
VS.	§ ACTION NO. 4:20-CR-269-Y
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ERIC PRESCOTT KAY (1)	§

ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE

Pending before the Court is the Joint Motion to Continue Trial and Extend Pretrial Deadlines (doc. 17). After review of the motion, the Court concludes, under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv), that a failure to grant the requested continuance would deny counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence. As a result, the Court further concludes, under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), that the ends of justice served by granting the requested continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

Therefore, the Joint Motion to Continue Trial is GRANTED. The trial of this cause is CONTINUED until 1:30 p.m. on Monday, April 19, 2021. The pretrial conference is CONTINUED until 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 15, 2021.

It is further ORDERED that the scheduling order previously issued in this cause is hereby MODIFIED as follows:

- (1) the government's deadline for filing a written designation of its expert witnesses is EXTENDED until **January 15, 2021**;
- (2) Defendants' deadline for filing a written designation of their expert witnesses is EXTENDED until **February 5, 2021**;
- (3) the deadline for filing pretrial motions is EXTENDED until March 1, 2021;

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- (4) the deadline for filing witness and exhibit lists is EXTENDED until April 12, 2021; and
- (5) the deadline for exchanging exhibit notebooks is EXTENDED until April 15, 2021.

SIGNED November 13, 2020.

TERRY R. MEANS

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE